

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮಪ್ಪ.—ಈ ಪ್ರಾಜೆಕ್ಟ್‌ನ್ನು ಬೇಗ ಮಾಡು ವುದರಿಂದ ಅಂಥ ಪ್ರಾಂತ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಹೋಗುವ ನೀರನ್ನು ತಡೆಗಟ್ಟಿ, ಇಲ್ಲಯೇ ಒಂದು ಒಳ್ಳೆಯ ಪ್ರಾಜೆಕ್ಟ್ ಆಗುತ್ತದೆಂದು ಅಭಿಪ್ರಾಯ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿಲ್ಲವೆ ?

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Opening a Right Bank Channel from Siddlainakote Anicut to Ranikere Tank in Challakere Taluk.

*Q.—339. Sri K. H. RANGANATH (Mudigere) [On behalf of Sri B. L. GOWDA (Challakere)].—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether there is a considerable demand for opening a right bank channel from Siddlainakote anicut to Ranikere Tank, Challakere Taluk ?

(b) whether it is a fact that the Minister for Public Works in previous cabinet visited the spot and promised to take up the work ;

(c) whether it is a fact that the survey work in this connection is over ;

(d) whether any estimate is pre pared in this behalf ;

(e) if so, for what amount ;

(f) when they intend to commence the work ;

(g) whether it has come to their notice that this will be one of the protective works to combat recurring famine in this area ?

A.—Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister).—

(a) Yes, but from the left bank and not right bank.

(b) The Minister for Public Works Department had visited Ranikere on 13-8-1961 and promised to investigate the feasibility of the proposal.

(c) Yes.

(d) Yes.

(e) Rs. 99.00 lakhs.

(f) As the scheme is exorbitantly costly, alternative proposals are under investigation.

(g) Yes.

Sri K. H. RANGANATH.—When was the request made ?

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—For the last 6 or 7 years.

Sri K. H. RANGANATH.—What is the area that is going to be irrigated if this left bank channel is constructed ?

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—I have no figures. The point is that the channel, if dug and finished, will feed the Ranikere Tank which has an achkat of 3,000 acres and on the way it can irrigate certain acreage of land.

Sri K. H. RANGANATH.—Supplementary to (f) : When was this re-investigation ordered ?

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—That was about last year. That would have been too costly but down below if an anicut is constructed, the same advantage could be had both for Ranikere Tank and for certain areas on the way.

Sri K. H. RANGANATH.—Has it not come to the notice of Government that if this channel is constructed, the *water table* in that area will be raised and thereby there will be plenty of water in the irrigation wells in Challakere Taluk which is one of the famine-affected Taluks ?

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—That is a general problem and there is no gain-saying the fact that if there is an irrigation project down below, the water table will come up and there will be more water available for irrigation purpose.

Sri K. H. RANGANATH.—Will Government assure that this reinvestigation will be completed as soon as possible and that the work will be taken up ?

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—We will have it done as early as possible.

Sri GANJI VEERAPPA.—What is the cost of the alternative proposal ?

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—It is being estimated.

Construction of a bridge across river Kali in Karwar Taluk.

*Q.—183. Sri B. P. KADAM (Karwar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that a bridge was proposed to be constructed